## STATE OF ARKANSAS SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF

STEVEN CHARLES SIGNER AND EBI SECURITIES CORPORATION

SCHEDULING ORDER CASE # 99 - 157 - S ORDER #00-037-S

## **SCHEDULING ORDER**

On March 24, 2000 the Arkansas Securities Department filed a formal Complaint, Case # 99 - 157- S, setting forth allegations that EBI Securities Corporation ("EBI"), CRD 16184, and Steven Charles Signer ("Signer"), CRD 719368, have violated the Arkansas Securities Act and Rules of the Arkansas Securities Commissioner. Soon after the Complaint was filed counsel representing EBI and Signer, Mr. Hugh Makens, requested a "standstill" of the proceedings to allow EBI and Pulaski Academy to pursue discussions to resolve or settle their claims. Pursuant to this request it was agreed and communicated through a letter dated April 24, 2000 that the hearing process for this case would be delayed for a period of sixty days while EBI and Pulaski Academy negotiated a settlement. The letter requested that Mr. Makens keep the Department informed of progress made in discussions with Pulaski Academy. At this date the Department has received no communication from Mr. Makens, EBI or Signer with respect to this matter. The Department is not aware of any meetings between the parties during the "standstill" time period that has now exceeded seventy days.

In the interest of moving toward a resolution of the matters set forth in the Complaint, the Commissioner has determined that this case will proceed according to the following Schedule:

On or before August 7, 2000, EBI and Signer shall provide the Department with a written response to Complaint #99-157-S.

On September 6, 2000,a Pre-Hearing Conference will take place at the offices of the Arkansas Securities Department at 9:00 a.m.

On October 17, 2000, a Hearing before the Commissioner pursuant to Rule 601 of Complaint #99-157-S will take place at the offices of the Arkansas Securities Department at 9:00 a.m.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JULY 2000.

MACOODSON COMMISSIONER